

OLD POST OFFICE and GENERAL STORE

AL-II-A-054

Main Street, Flintstone  
ca. 1880

The Old Post Office is a one story frame, rectangular block. The building was probably constructed by Simeon Wilson who owned one of the local general stores in the late 19th century. Originally the building was used as a warehouse for the store which is located to the west of the building. Eventually the building was to become both a general store and a Post Office.

# MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

### 1 NAME

HISTORIC

Old Post & General Store

AND/OR COMMON

### 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Route 2, Box 2 (Main Street, Old U.S. Route 40)

CITY, TOWN

Flintstone

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

### 3 CLASSIFICATION

#### CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

☐ STRUCTURE

☐ SITE

☐ OBJECT

#### OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH

#### PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS

☐ BEING CONSIDERED

#### STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

☐ UNOCCUPIED

☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

#### ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES RESTRICTED

☐ YES UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

#### PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE

☐ COMMERCIAL

☐ EDUCATIONAL

☐ ENTERTAINMENT

☐ GOVERNMENT

☐ INDUSTRIAL

☐ MILITARY

☐ MUSEUM

☐ PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

☐ RELIGIOUS

☐ SCIENTIFIC

☐ TRANSPORTATION

☐ OTHER

### 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Lawrence Kyle

Telephone #: 478-2467

STREET & NUMBER

Route 2, Box 1

CITY, TOWN

Flintstone

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

### 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 235 425

Folio #: 442 289

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

### 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# **7 DESCRIPTION**

## **CONDITION**

<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED

## **CHECK ONE**

☐ UNALTERED  
☒ ALTERED

## **CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Old Post Office and General Store is located on the south side of Main Street, Flintstone, Allegany County.

The Post Office is a rectangular block, one story tall and three bays wide. The building was originally covered with weatherboard however, at present, the building has been recovered with aluminum siding. The building rests on a low stone foundation with a plain water table. The roof is gabled, covered with tin and includes a replaced soffit. Windows are six over six lights with plain wooden, pegged sashes. The main entrance is located on the north side and features a verticle paneled door with replaced hardware.

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PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES      ca. 1880

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Old Post Office and General Store was built in the 1880 decade by either John Wilson or his son Simeon Wilson. Mr. John Wilson purchased the property in 1865 from John Piper, Jr. At this time, only the house; presently the Kyle house was built on the property. The store was first built as an additional building for the commerce already located in the dwelling house. After Simeon Wilson purchased the property from his father in 1883 for \$2,000, it was simply called "Simeon Wilson's General Store." Simeon's father in deed, reserved a room in the brick dwelling for himself for his natural life. The store became a Post Office and General Store in the latter part of the century, and it is now renovated into an apartment house. <sup>1</sup>

1 Interview with Helen Hinkle, Allegany County Committee for the Maryland Historical Trust for the Flintstone Bicentennial celebration. Interview November 11, 1976

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

11/9/76

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-8991

CITY OR TOWN

LaVale,

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. AL-II-A-054

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DATE: 10/13/76

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REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Old Post + General Store

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Rt 2 Box 2

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: North

NAME OF OWNER: Lawerance Kyle 478-2467

ADDRESS: Rt 2 Box 1

Flintstone MD.

STORIES: 1(☒) 2( ) 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) BAYS: 1(☒) 2(☒) 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) 7( ) ( )

WINGS, ADDITIONS: Rear Porch Add

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- (☒) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
- ( ) BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- ( ) STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- ( ) LOG
- (☒) Other: Coverings Aluminum

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTER, OTHERS Plain

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1( ) 2/2( ) 6/6(☒) 9/6( ) 9/9( ) other( )  
pegged (☒) nailed( ) wide( ) narrow( ) mitred( ) pediment( )

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: North

HARDWARE: original( ) replaced(☒)  
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN  
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)  
original( ) replaced(☒) Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze,

Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, MANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, BORMERS #  
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original(☒) replaced( )

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed( ) hip( ) gable( )

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 0 BRICK( ) STONE( ) CORBELED( ) original( ) replaced( )  
LOCATION: Flush end( ) Inside end( ) Outside end( ) Central( ) Interior( )

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS: Use - Residence  
Significance - Arch Commerce  
Date Constructed - 1890's  
Condition - Good

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Old Post Office

Old Rt 40

USGS - Flintstone Quad

1:24,000

1950

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MARYLAND

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AI-II-A-060

AI-II-A-048

AI-II-A-051

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old Post Office

Main St. Flintstone

John Nelson

10/13/76

South East